internal bickerings among officers and personnels is being dragged into various courts;

(c) the details of such cases being dragged in different courts of the country; and

(d) whether Government are considering any comprehensive plan to prevent corruption and for bringing transparency in the working of the armed forces?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (d) Government have effective institutional mechanism to control corruption, which are imlemented through the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and the Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO) of the Ministry of Defence. There is a well defined Procurement Procedure with in-built checks and balances. Wherever Government has apprehensions about a particular case, it is promptly referred to the CBI. 23 cases of the report of Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) relating to report 7A of 2001 have been referred for investigation to the CBI. Similarly the 14 cases under discussion of the Justice Phukan Commission have been referred for investigation of the CBI. In case any wrong doing is proved, action will be taken by Government.

Production of BrahMos Missiles

4382. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has placed any orders for the BrahMos;

(b) if so, the details of such orders;

(c) whether Government had identified its vessels in which the BrahMos missiles would be fitted;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) how many industries in India are taking part in the production of BrahMos missiles; and

(f) how many industries from Russia are taking part in the production of BrahMos missile?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (f) After a series of successful flight trails, the BrahMos missile has proved its efficacy against ship targets. A Letter of Interest has been placed on BrahMos Aerospace Pvt. Ltd. for inducting BrahMos Missiles for the installation on certain ships of the Navy. A number of Industrial units in India and Russia are involved in the production process.

Development of SEDS

4383. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry had received any proposal from Government of Karnataka in the year 2003 for development of Storm Water Drainage System (SEDS);

(b) if so, the reasons for not giving clearance to the proposal; and

(c) the time by when this Solid Waste Disposal Act is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Local military authorities had requested the Bangalore Mahanagar Palika (BMP) to submit a detailed proposal which is awaited.

(c) there is no such proposal with the Ministry of Defence.

Strict Rules for Private Sector Aviation

4384. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether IAF has suggested to the Government to have strict rules for private sector aviation in the wake of recent accidents of Helicopters; and